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ITS PRODUCTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the claims and abstract prior to
the examination of the application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-29.

Please add the following new claims:

30. (New) A Ni/metal hydride battery of bipolar stack design,
comprising:

a plurality of subcells disposed in a gastight casing and pressed
against each other, each subcell including:

positive and negative electrodes,